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Security Council

10 a.m.	Consultations of the whole (closed) Côte d'Ivoire[1] Other matters	Consultations Room

[1] With a view to a formal meeting.

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism

3 p.m.	153rd meeting (closed)	Conference Room 7

Security Council

The Security Council will hold an open debate on Friday, 9 December 2005, in the Security Council Chamber, in connection with the agenda item "Protection of civilians in armed conflict". Member States wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers should contact the Secretariat (room S-3520; or tel. 1 (212) 963-0096), as from Tuesday, 6 December 2005, from 9.30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Delegations are also kindly requested to limit their statements to no more than *five minutes*.

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General Assembly

Sixtieth session

10 a.m. 61st plenary meeting General Assembly Hall

1. Scope of legal protection under the Convention on the Safety of United Nations and Associated Personnel: report of the Sixth Committee (A/60/518) [83]
2. Measures to eliminate international terrorism: report of the Sixth Committee (A60/519) [108]
3. Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly: report of the Sixth Committee (A/60/523) [116]
4. Reduction of military budgets: report of the First Committee (A/60/451). [85]
5. Developments in the field of information and telecommunications in the context of international security: report of the First Committee (A/60/452) [86]
6. Prohibition of the development and manufacture of new types of weapons of mass destruction and new systems of such weapons: report of the Conference on Disarmament: report of the First Committee (A/60/453) [87]
7. Question of Antarctica: report of the First Committee (A/60/454) [88]
8. Implementation of the Declaration of the Indian Ocean as a Zone of Peace: report of the First Committee (A/60/455) [89]
9. African Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone Treaty: report of the First Committee (A/60/456) [90]
10. Consolidation of the regime established by the Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean (Treaty of Tlatelolco): report of the First Committee (A/60/457) [91]
11. Verification in all its aspects, including the role of the United Nations in the field of verification: report of the First Committee (A/60/458) [92]
12. Role of science and technology in the context of international security and disarmament: report of the First Committee (A/60/459) [93]
13. Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the region of the Middle East: report of the First Committee (A/60/460) [94]
14. Conclusion of effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons: report of the First Committee (A/60/461) [95]
15. Prevention of an arms race in outer space: report of the First Committee (A/60/462) [96]
16. General and complete disarmament: report of the First Committee (A/60/463) [97]
17. Review and implementation of the Concluding Document of the Twelfth Special Session of the General Assembly: report of the First Committee (A/60/464) [98]
18. Review of the implementation of the recommendations and decisions adopted by the General Assembly at its tenth special session: report of the First Committee (A/60/465) [99]

19. The risk of nuclear proliferation in the Middle East: report of the First Committee (A/60/466) [100]

20. Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects: report of the First Committee (A/60/467) [101]

21. Strengthening of security and cooperation in the Mediterranean region: report of the First Committee (A/60/468) [102]

22. Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty: report of the First Committee (A/60/469) [103]

23. Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction: report of the First Committee (A/60/470) [104]

24. Review of the implementation of the Declaration on the Strengthening of International Security: report of the First Committee (A/60/471) [105]

25. Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly: report of the First Committee (A/60/524) [116]

26. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/60/472) [26]

27. Assistance in mine action: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/60/473) [27]

28. Effects of atomic radiation: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/60/474) [28]

29. International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/60/475) [29]

30. United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/60/476) [30]

31. Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/60/477) [31]

32. Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/60/478) [32]

33. Questions relating to information: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/60/479) [33]

34. Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories transmitted under Article 73 *e* of the Charter of the United Nations: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/60/480) [34]

35. Economic and other activities which affect the interests of the peoples of the Non-Self-Governing Territories: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/60/481) [35]

36. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/60/482) . . . . . [36]

37. Offers by Member States of study and training facilities for inhabitants of Non-Self-Governing Territories: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/60/483) . . . . . [37]

38. Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/60/525) . . . . . [116]

39. Financing of the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo: report of the Fifth Committee (A/60/574) . . . . . [140]

40. Financing of the United Nations Mission in the Sudan: report of the Fifth Committee (A/60/562) . . . . . [151]

Informal consultations of the plenary on the Peacebuilding Commission

11 a.m. (sharp) . . . . . 10th meeting (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 3

Informal consultations of the plenary on follow-up to the World Summit Outcome on development and Economic and Social Council reform

3 p.m. . . . . 3rd meeting (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 3

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 128 (Scale of assessment for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (A/60/11, A/60/66 and A/C.5/60/2))

3–6 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 124 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 (A/60/6, A/60/6/Corr.1, A/60/6/Corr.2, A/60/6/Corr.3, A/60/6/Corr.4 (French only), A/60/6 (Introduction), A/60/6 (Sect. 1), A/60/6 (Sect. 2), A/60/6 (Sect. 3), A/60/6 (Sect. 3)/Corr.1 (French only), A/60/6 (Sect. 4), A/60/6 (Sect. 5), A/60/6 (Sect. 6), A/60/6 (Sect. 7), A/60/6 (Sect. 8), A/60/6 (Sect. 9), A/60/6 (Sect. 10), A/60/6 (Sect. 11), A/60/6 (Sect. 12), A/60/6 (Sect. 13), A/60/6 (Sect. 14), A/60/6 (Sect. 15), A/60/6 (Sect. 16), A/60/6 (Sect. 17), A/60/6 (Sect. 18), A/60/6 (Sect. 19), A/60/6 (Sect. 20), A/60/6 (Sect. 21), A/60/6 (Sect. 22), A/60/6 (Sect. 23), A/60/6 (Sect. 24), A/60/6 (Sect. 25), A/60/6 (Sect. 26), A/60/6 (Sect. 27), A/60/6 (Sect. 28), A/60/6 (Sect. 28A), A/60/6 (Sect. 28B), A/60/6 (Sect. 28C), A/60/6 (Sect. 28D), A/60/6 (Sect. 28E), A/60/6 (Sect. 28F), A/60/6 (Sect. 28G), A/60/6 (Sect. 29), A/60/6 (Sect. 30), A/60/6 (Sect. 31), A/60/6 (Sect. 32), A/60/6 (Sect. 33), A/60/6 (Sect. 34), A/60/6 (Sect. 35), A/60/6 (Income Sect. 1), A/60/6 (Income Sect. 2), A/60/6 (Income Sect. 3), A/59/397 and A/59/793))

Revised estimates to the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 under sections 1, 8, 28A and 35 and income section 1 (A/60/303)

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/60/7, A/60/7/Corr.1 and A/60/7/Add.1)

Report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination (A/60/16 and A/60/16/Corr.1)

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10

1. Budget of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991, for the biennium 2006-2007

2. Budget of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994, for the biennium 2006-2007

International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families

Meeting of the States Parties
Second meeting

10 a.m.–1 p.m. 2nd meeting Conference Room 2

3–6 p.m. 3rd meeting Conference Room 2

Provisional agenda

1. Opening of the meeting by the representative of the Secretary-General

2. Election of the Chairperson

3. Adoption of the agenda (CMW/SP/4)

4. Election of other officers of the meeting

5. Election of five members of the Committee on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families to replace those whose terms of office will expire on 31 December 2005 in accordance with article 72, paragraphs 1 to 5, of the Convention

6. Other matters

[*Note:* Pursuant to article 72, paragraph 4 of the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families, the necessary quorum for the Meeting is two-third of the States Parties. As there are 31 States Parties to the Convention, the quorum is 21 States Parties. There have been instances in the past where meetings of the States Parties have been substantially delayed or called off due to the lack of quorum. In order to avoid such occurrences, it is imperative for the States Parties to be present at the scheduled time of the meeting.]

General Assembly

Sixtieth session

Informal consultations on the draft resolution under agenda item 45 (Follow-up to the outcome of the twenty-sixth special session: implementation of the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS)

The informal consultations on the draft resolution under agenda item 45 (Follow-up to the outcome of the twenty-sixth special session: implementation of the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS), chaired by H.E. Mr. Christopher Fitzherbert Hackett (Barbados) and H.E. Mrs. Laxanachantorn Laohaphan (Thailand), will be held *today*, 8 December 2005, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4.

Second Committee

Informal "informal" consultations

Facilitator, Mr. Paul Lolo (Nigeria), under agenda item 52 (g) (Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Suite of offices of Conference Room 1

Facilitator, Mrs. Ewa Anzorge (Poland), under agenda item 57 (b) (South-South cooperation: economic and technical cooperation among developing countries)

11 a.m.–12 noon Closed meeting Suite of offices of Conference Room 3

Facilitator, Ms. Vanessa Gomes (Portugal), under agenda item 54 (d) (Preventing and combating corrupt practices and transfer of funds of illicit origin and returning such assets to the countries of origin)

12 noon–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room S-2963D

Facilitator, Mr. Andre Siregar (Indonesia), under agenda item 54 (c) (International Migration and development)

1.15–2.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 9

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 9

Facilitator, Mr. Felix Mbayu (Cameroon), under agenda item 51 (Follow-up to and implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development)

1.15–2.30 p.m. Closed meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

Facilitator, Ms. Husniyya Mammadova (Azerbaijan), under agenda item 54 (a) (Globalization and interdependence)

1.15–2.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room B

Facilitator, Mr. Abdellah Benmellouk (Morocco), under agenda item 55 (a) (Third United Nations Conference on the least developed countries)

3–5 p.m. Closed meeting Suite of offices of Conference Room 1

Facilitator, Mr. Benedito Fonseca Filho (Brazil), under agenda item 59 (Towards global partnerships)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room B

Economic and Social Council

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations
Informal consultations

There will be informal consultations on the 2006 session of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations (19–27 January 2006) *today*, 8 December 2005, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Informal consultations convened by delegations

Thursday, 8 December 2005

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support" (A/60/L.16) (convened by the delegation of Morocco)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room D

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "International cooperation on humanitarian assistance in the field of natural disasters, from relief to development", under agenda item 73 (a) (convened by the delegation of India, on behalf of the Group of 77)

12 noon–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

Other meetings

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Thursday, 8 December 2005

Group of 77 (on sustainable development issues)

9–10 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room C

Group of 77 (on the draft resolutions on science and technology; and global partnerships for development)

9 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room E

Group of 77 (on the draft resolution on financing for development)

10–11.30 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room C

Group of 77 (on the draft resolution on the international financial system)

11.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room C

Group of 77 (on Second Committee matters)

3.30–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room C

African Group (Third Committee experts)

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room D

Panel discussion on "Protection and promotion of human rights of people with mental disorders" (organized by the World Health Organization, together with the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, in collaboration with the NGO Committee on Mental Health)

Today, 8 December 2005, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Vanessa Lanza, WHO Office at the United Nations (tel. 1 (212) 963-3952; e-mail lanza@un.org).]

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm.

Thursday, 8 December 2005

Room S-226

Guest at 12 noon . . . . Mr. Jan Egeland, Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and United Nations Emergency Relief Coordinator (on his recent visit to Zimbabwe)

Forthcoming official meetings

Friday, 9 December 2005

General Assembly
Sixtieth session

Informal consultations of the plenary on the Human Rights Council

10 a.m.	15th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.	16th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 1

Informal consultations of the plenary on Secretariat and management reform

10 a.m.	2nd meeting (closed)	Conference Room 4

General Assembly
Sixtieth session

Informal consultations on agenda item 73 (Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance) and sub-items (a) and (d)

Informal consultations (closed) on draft proposals under agenda item 73, chaired by H.E. Mr. Jean-Marc Hoscheit (Luxembourg), will be held on Friday, 9 December 2005, at 10 a. in Conference Room 6. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

Main Committees

Second Committee

The Second Committee will hold its 35th meeting on Friday, 9 December 2005, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 2. The Committee will take action on all outstanding draft proposals and conclude the main part of its work for the sixtieth session.

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold informal consultations (closed) on Friday, 9 December 2005, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

Credentials Committee

There will be a closed meeting of the Credentials Committee on Tuesday, 13 December 2005, at 11 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. Delegations that have not submitted credentials in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly are asked to submit them to the Secretary of the Credentials Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5358 or 963-5377; room S-3460D or S-3420A), before the 13 December meeting.

General Assembly

Preparatory Committee for the United Nations conference to review progress made in the implementation of the Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects
Informal consultation

There will be an informal consultation, convened by the Chair-designate of the Preparatory Committee for the United Nations conference to review progress made in the implementation of the Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects, on Friday, 9 December 2005, at 3 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Disarmament Commission
Organizational session

The Disarmament Commission will hold its organizational session on Monday, 12 December 2005, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

Economic and Social Council

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations
Informal consultations

There will be informal consultations on the 2006 session of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations (19–27 January 2006) on Tuesday, 13 December 2005, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund

Pre-session informal consultations

The Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will hold pre-session informal consultations on all matters before the first regular session 2006, on Monday, 9 January 2006, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 6.

First regular session 2006

The first regular session 2006 of the Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will be held from Tuesday, 24 January, to Friday, 27 January 2006, in a conference room to be announced. The provisional agenda, list of documents and work plan for the session are contained in document DP/2006/L.1. Member States, as well as observers and other organizations, are requested to fax their credentials to the secretariat of the UNDP/UNFPA Executive Board (fax 1 (212) 906-5634), as early as possible, but not later than Friday, 13 January 2006.

The joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA, UNICEF and WFP will take place on Friday, 20 January, and Monday, 23 January 2006, in a conference room to be announced. Prior to the convening of the joint meeting, there will be a formal meeting of the Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA, on Friday, 20 January, at 10 a.m., to elect its new Bureau for 2006.

Forthcoming informal consultations convened by delegations

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations", under agenda item 73 (a) (convened by the delegation of Sweden)

Friday, 9 December 2005, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Implementation of the recommendations contained in the report of the Secretary-General on the causes of conflict and the Promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa" (convened by the delegation of France)

Monday, 12 December 2005, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room E.

Other forthcoming meetings

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Round table on "Tajikistan's MDG-based National Development Strategy" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Tajikistan, with the support of the United Nations Millennium Project)

Monday, 12 December 2005, from 1.30 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Nima Tabloei, United Nations Millennium Project (tel. 1 (212) 906-6009; e-mail nima.tabloei@unmillenniumproject.org).]

Panel discussion on "Combating corruption " (organized by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC))

Thursday, 15 December 2005, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Lilibeth Benitez, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (e-mail benitez@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5635; fax 1 (212) 963-4581).]

Announcements

Informational meetings with Member States to discuss issues relating to language services

Pursuant to Section IV, paragraph 2, of General Assembly resolution 59/265, the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management will hold informational meetings with Member States twice a year to consult with them on the improvement of the language services and to provide a channel for communication on the terminology used and the quality of services rendered. The second round of language-specific informational meetings in 2005 will be held in December, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7, on the following dates:

Today, 8 December: *Russian*

Friday, 9 December: *Spanish*
Monday, 12 December: *Arabic*

Preparations for the fiftieth session of the Commission on the Status of Women

In preparation for the fiftieth session of the Commission on the Status of Women (27 February–10 March 2006), delegations are invited to propose names of expert panellists to participate in two panel discussions on the following themes: (a) Enhanced participation of women in development: an enabling environment for achieving gender equality and the advancement of women, taking into account, inter alia, the fields of education, health and work; and (b) Equal participation of women and men in decision-making processes at all levels. Delegations are requested to submit names indicating the panel for which the expert(s) is (are) being nominated and curricula vitae which outline the specific expertise and experience of the proposed candidate on the theme. It is kindly requested that the information be sent to the Division for the Advancement of Women (e-mail taylors@un.org; and/or selcuk@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-3463). *The deadline has been extended by two weeks, until Wednesday, 21 December 2005.*

Security Council **Daily informal briefings**

As from Monday, 5 December 2005, and for the rest of the month, the presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations, which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations.

Summary of official meetings

Wednesday, 7 December 2005

Security Council

5316th (closed) meeting — *Meeting of the Security Council with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001), annex II, sections A and B*

The Security Council met in private. At the close of the meeting, the following communiqué was issued by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 55 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Council:

"On 7 December 2005, the Security Council, pursuant to annex II, sections A and B of resolution 1353 (2001), held its 5316th meeting in private with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus (UNFICYP).

The Security Council and the troop-contributing countries heard a briefing under rule 39 of its provisional rules of procedure by Mr. Wolfgang Weisbrod-Weber, Acting Director of the Europe and Latin America Division of the Department of Peacekeeping Operations."

5317th meeting — *The situation between Eritrea and Ethiopia*

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President made a statement on behalf of the Council (S/PRST/2005/59).

General Assembly

Sixtieth session

Main Committees

Second Committee

34th meeting — *Macroeconomic policy questions* . . . . . [50]

(c) External debt crisis and development

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/60/L.3 and A/C.2/60/L.51

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

The Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Selwin Hart (Barbados), orally corrected the draft resolution and also made a statement.

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.51, as orally corrected.

The representative of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela made a statement.

In the light of the adoption of draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.51, draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.3 was withdrawn by its sponsors.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 50 (c).

Eradication of poverty and other development issues [56]

(c) Human resources development

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/60/L.40 and A/C.2/60/L.49

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.49.

The representative of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela made a statement.

The Rapporteur of the Committee, Mr. Abdulmalik Alshabibi (Yemen), made a statement.

In the light of the adoption of draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.49, draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.40 was withdrawn by its sponsors.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 56 (c).

Training and research [58]

(b) United Nations System Staff College in Turin, Italy

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/60/L.42 and A/C.2/60/L.50

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.50.

The Rapporteur of the Committee, Mr. Abdulmalik Alshabibi (Yemen) made a statement.

In the light of the adoption of draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.50, draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.42 was withdrawn by its sponsors.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 58 (b).

General Assembly

Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People

291st meeting

The Chairman made a statement on a number of activities which had taken place since the previous meeting of the Committee.

Developments in the Middle East peace process and the situation in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including Jerusalem

Statements were made by the Permanent Observer of Palestine, the Chairman of the Committee and the representatives of the Syrian Arab Republic and Mali.

United Nations Latin American and Caribbean Meeting on the Question of Palestine, 13 and 14 December, and the United Nations Public forum in Support of Israeli-Paletinian Peace, 15 December 2005, Caracas (Working Paper No. 5)

The Chairman made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, the Syrian Arab Republic and Cuba.

The Committee approved Working Paper No. 5.

Other matters

The Chairman made a statement.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

United Nations Convention against Corruption. New York, 31 October 2003

Ratification: Australia (7 December 2005)[1]

International Convention for the Suppression of Acts of Nuclear Terrorism. New York, 13 April 2005

Signature: Bosnia and Herzegovina (7 December 2005)

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Other announcements

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Workshop on communications (organized by the Non-Governmental Organizations Section, Department of Public Information)

Today, 8 December 2005, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium; and from 2 to 4 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Sasa Gorisek, NGO Section (tel. 1 (212) 963-1859; e-mail gorisek@un.org).]

Events on the occasion of the International Volunteer Day

Friday, 9 December 2005, from 2 to 4 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium: Screening of the documentary "The Heart of Steel"; followed by a panel discussion on "The citizen as volunteer" (sponsored by the United Nations Volunteer Programme, United Nations Development Programme).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Penina Adongo, United Nations Volunteer Programme (tel. 1 (212) 906-3639; e-mail penina.adongo@undp.org).]

General information

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *December 2005* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Rwanda
H.E. Mr. Stanislas Kamanzi

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Iraq
H.E. Mr. Samir Shakir Mahmood Sumaida'ie

Eastern European States:
Romania
H.E. Mr. Mihnea Ioan Motoc

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Barbados
H.E. Mr. Christopher Fitzherbert Hackett

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A/60/PV.30	Meeting held on 10 October 2005, 3 p.m. [A C E]
A/60/PV.39	Meeting held on 27 October 2005, 10 a.m. [A E F]
	Second Committee
A/C.2/60/SR.2	Meeting held on 3 October 2005, 10 a.m. [A C E F R S]
	Fifth Committee
A/C.5/60/SR.5	Meeting held on 13 October 2005, 3 p.m. [A C E F R S]
	Sixth Committee
A/C.6/60/SR.3	Meeting held on 6 October 2005, 10 a.m. [A C E F R S]
General Assembly	**Documents**
	Sixtieth session
A/60/7/Add.12	Item 124 — Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 — Capital master plan — Thirteenth report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions [A C E F R S]
A/60/421/Corr.1	Items 124 and 131 — Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 — United Nations common system — Administrative and financial implications of the decisions and recommendations contained in the report of the International Civil Service Commission for 2005 — Statement submitted by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly [A C E F R S]
A/60/491	Item 55 — Groups of countries in special situations — Report of the Second Committee [A C E F R S]
A/60/499	Item 39 — Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions — Report of the Third Committee [A C E F R S]
A/60/504	Item 65 — Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women and of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly, entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century" — Report of the Third Committee [A C E F R S]
A/60/506	Item 68 — Indigenous issues — Report of the Third Committee [A C E F R S]

A/60/579-S/2005/755	Item 14 — The situation in the Middle East — Identical letters dated 5 December 2005 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Lebanon to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]

Security Council	**Documents**
S/2005/15/Add.42	Summary statement by the Secretary-General on matters of which the Security Council is seized and on the stage reached in their consideration [A C E F R S]
S/2005/15/Add.43	Summary statement by the Secretary-General on matters of which the Security Council is seized and on the stage reached in their consideration [A C E F R S]
S/2005/752	Report of the Secretary-General on developments in Guinea-Bissau and on the activities of the United Nations Peacebuilding Support Office in Guinea-Bissau [A C E F R S]
A/60/579-S/2005/755	Identical letters dated 5 December 2005 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Lebanon to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
S/2005/758	Letter dated 30 November 2005 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
S/2005/759	Letter dated 2 December 2005 from the President of the Security Council addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
S/2005/762	Letter dated 5 December 2005 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Lebanon to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
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Official Records

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E/2005/SR.34	Meeting held on 21 July 2005, 10 a.m. [E F S (only)]

Economic and Social Council

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Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations
2006 regular session

E/C.2/2006/2/Add.6	Quadrennial reports for the period 2001-2004 submitted through the Secretary-General pursuant to Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31 — Note by the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]

United Nations Children's Fund
Executive Board
First regular session 2006

E/ICEF/2006/9 Item 7 of the provisional agenda — Thematic funding in the context of the medium-term strategic plan [A C E F R S]

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund

Documents

First regular session 2006

DP/2006/1 Item 1 of the provisional agenda — Organizational matters — Report on the second regular session 2005 (6 to 9 September 2005, New York) [A C E F R S]

DP/2006/14 Item 9 of the provisional agenda — Recommendations of the Board of Auditors — UNOPS: Follow-up report on the implementation of the recommendations of the Board of Auditors for the biennium 2002-2003 [A C E F R S]

Secretariat

ST/IC/2005/60/Add.1 Information circular — 2006 national competitive recruitment examinations [E F (only)]

Communications to the Editor

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Official meetings

Friday, 9 December 2005

Security Council

10 a.m. . . . . 5318th meeting . . . . . Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in Côte d'Ivoire

Morning[1] . . . . . 5319th meeting . . . . . Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Protection of civilians in armed conflict

   Report of the Secretary-General on the protection of civilians in armed conflict (S/2005/740)

[1] To be held following the adjournment of the 5318th meeting.

General Assembly
Sixtieth session

General Committee

The 4th meeting of the General Committee, will be held on Tuesday, 13 December 2005, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

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General Assembly

Sixtieth session

Informal consultations of the plenary on the Human Rights Council

10 a.m.	15th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.	16th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 1

Informal consultations of the plenary on Secretariat and management reform

10 a.m.	2nd meeting (closed)	Conference Room 4

Main Committees

Second Committee

3–6 p.m. 35th meeting — Conference Room 2

1. Macroeconomic policy questions [50]
   - (a) International trade and development

     Action on draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.18
2. Sustainable development [52]

   Action on draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.14/Rev.1
   - (a) Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development

     Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/60/L.20 and A/C.2/60/L.58
   - (f) Promotion of new and renewable sources of energy, including the implementation of the World Solar Programme 1996-2005

     Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/60/L.28 and A/C.2/60/L.53
   - (h) Convention on Biological Diversity

     Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/60/L.22 and A/C.2/60/L.55
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     Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/60/L.39 and A/C.2/60/L.56

Fifth Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m.	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 125 (Programme planning (A/60/16, A/60/16/Corr.1, A/C.5/60/11 and A/60/73))

3–6 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 124 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 (A/60/6, A/60/6/Corr.1, A/60/6/Corr.2, A/60/6/Corr.3, A/60/6/Corr.4 (French only), A/60/6 (Introduction), A/60/6 (Sect. 1), A/60/6 (Sect. 2), A/60/6 (Sect. 3), A/60/6 (Sect. 3)/Corr.1 (French only), A/60/6 (Sect. 4), A/60/6 (Sect. 5), A/60/6 (Sect. 6), A/60/6 (Sect. 7), A/60/6 (Sect. 8), A/60/6 (Sect. 9), A/60/6 (Sect. 10), A/60/6 (Sect. 11), A/60/6 (Sect. 12), A/60/6 (Sect. 13), A/60/6 (Sect. 14), A/60/6 (Sect. 15), A/60/6 (Sect. 16), A/60/6 (Sect. 17), A/60/6 (Sect. 18), A/60/6 (Sect. 19), A/60/6 (Sect. 20), A/60/6 (Sect. 21), A/60/6 (Sect. 22), A/60/6 (Sect. 23), A/60/6 (Sect. 24), A/60/6 (Sect. 25), A/60/6 (Sect. 26), A/60/6 (Sect. 27), A/60/6 (Sect. 28), A/60/6 (Sect. 28A), A/60/6 (Sect. 28B), A/60/6 (Sect. 28C), A/60/6 (Sect. 28D), A/60/6 (Sect. 28E), A/60/6 (Sect. 28F), A/60/6 (Sect. 28G), A/60/6 (Sect. 29), A/60/6 (Sect. 30), A/60/6 (Sect. 31), A/60/6 (Sect. 32), A/60/6 (Sect. 33), A/60/6 (Sect. 34), A/60/6 (Sect. 35), A/60/6 (Income Sect. 1), A/60/6 (Income Sect. 2), A/60/6 (Income Sect. 3), A/59/397 and A/59/793))

Revised estimates to the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 under sections 1, 8, 28A and 35 and income section 1 (A/60/303)

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/60/7, A/60/7/Corr.1 and A/60/7/Add.1)

Report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination (A/60/16 and A/60/16/Corr.1)

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10

1. Budget of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991, for the biennium 2006-2007

2. Budget of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994, for the biennium 2006-2007

General Assembly

Sixtieth session

Second Committee

Informal "informal" consultations

Facilitator, Mr. Andre Siregar (Indonesia), under agenda item 54 (c) (International migration and development)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room E

Facilitator, Mr. Abdellah Benmellouk (Morocco), under agenda item 55 (a) (Third United Nations Conference on the least developed countries)

11 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room C

Facilitator, Mr. Martin Meisel (Austria), under agenda item 54 (b) (Science and technology for development)

11 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

Facilitator, Mr. Felix Mbayu (Cameroon), under agenda item 51 (Follow-up to and implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development)

1–3 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room B

Facilitator, Mr. Paul Lolo (Nigeria), under agenda item 52 (g) (Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa)

1–3 p.m. Closed meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

Facilitator, Mr. Benedicio Fonseca Filho (Brazil on behalf of a group of countries), under agenda item 54 (c), (International migration and development) ("Remittances")

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room D

Facilitator, Mr. Yoshiaki Ito (Japan), under agenda item 56 (a) (Implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006))

4–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room E

General Assembly

Sixtieth session

Informal consultations on agenda item 73 (Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance) and sub-items (a) and (d)

Informal consultations (closed) on draft proposals under agenda item 73, chaired by H.E. Mr. Jean-Marc Hoscheit (Luxembourg), will be held *today*, 9 December 2005, at 10 a. in Conference Room 6. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution under agenda item 45 (Follow-up to the outcome of the twenty-sixth special session: implementation of the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS)

The informal consultations on the draft resolution under agenda item 45 (Follow-up to the outcome of the twenty-sixth special session: implementation of the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS), chaired by H.E. Mr. Christopher Fitzherbert Hackett (Barbados) and H.E. Mrs. Laxanachantorn Laohaphan (Thailand), will continue *today*, 9 December 2005, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room 8.

General Assembly

Preparatory Committee for the United Nations conference to review progress made in the implementation of the Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects
Informal consultation

There will be an informal consultation, convened by the Chair-designate of the Preparatory Committee for the United Nations conference to review progress made in the implementation of the Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects, *today*, 9 December 2005, at 3 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Informal consultations convened by delegations

Friday, 9 December 2005

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Safety and security of humanitarian personnel and protection of United Nations personnel" (convened by the delegation of the United Kingdom, on behalf of the European Union)

11 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room D

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations", under agenda item 73 (a) (convened by the delegation of Sweden)

1.15–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 9

Other meetings

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Friday, 9 December 2005

Group of 77 (on draft resolutions on women in development; science and technology for development; global partnerships for development; on international migration and development)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 9

Group of 77 (on the draft resolutions on desertification)

10 a.m.–12 noon Closed meeting Conference Room 3

Group of 77 (on the draft resolution on the international financial system)

12 noon–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 3

Group of 77 (on Fifth Committee matters)

1.15–2.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 4

Group of 77 (on Second Committee matters)

4–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 3

African Group (Third Committee experts)

1.15–2.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room D

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm.

Friday, 9 December 2005

Room S-226

12 noon Mr. Anwarul Chowdhury, Under-Secretary-General and High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States (on the impact of the current trade rules on the world's poorest countries and the challenges they face, in advance of the World Trade Organisation talks in Hong Kong (13-18 December))

Forthcoming official meetings

Monday, 12 December 2005

General Assembly

Sixtieth session

Informal consultations of the plenary on the Human Rights Council

10 a.m. 17th meeting (closed) Conference Room 1

3 p.m. 18th meeting (closed) Conference Room 1

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold 29th meeting on Monday, 12 December 2005, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 3. Informal consultations (closed) will be held following the adjournment of the 29th meeting and at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

Credentials Committee

There will be a closed meeting of the Credentials Committee on Tuesday, 13 December 2005, at 11 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. Delegations that have not submitted credentials in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly are asked to submit them to the Secretary of the Credentials Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5358 or 963-5377; room S-3460D or S-3420A), before the 13 December meeting.

General Assembly

Disarmament Commission

Organizational session

The Disarmament Commission will hold its organizational session on Monday, 12 December 2005, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

Economic and Social Council

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations

Informal consultations

There will be informal consultations on the 2006 session of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations (19–27 January 2006) on Tuesday, 13 December 2005, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund

Pre-session informal consultations

The Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will hold pre-session informal consultations on all matters before the first regular session 2006, on Monday, 9 January 2006, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 6.

First regular session 2006

The first regular session 2006 of the Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will be held from Tuesday, 24 January, to Friday, 27 January 2006, in a conference room to be announced. The provisional agenda, list of documents and work plan for the session are contained in document DP/2006/L.1. Member States, as well as observers and other organizations, are requested to fax their credentials to the secretariat of the UNDP/UNFPA Executive Board (fax 1 (212) 906-5634), as early as possible, but not later than Friday, 13 January 2006.

The joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA, UNICEF and WFP will take place on Friday, 20 January, and Monday, 23 January 2006, in a conference room to be announced. Prior to the convening of the joint meeting, there will be a formal meeting of the Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA, on Friday, 20 January, at 10 a.m., to elect its new Bureau for 2006.

Forthcoming informal consultations convened by delegations

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Implementation of the recommendations contained in the report of the Secretary-General on the causes of conflict and the Promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa" (convened by the delegation of France)

Monday, 12 December 2005, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room E.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "The role of diamonds in fuelling conflict: breaking the link between the illicit transaction of rough diamonds and armed conflict as a contribution to prevention and settlement of conflicts", under agenda item 11 (convened by the delegation of the Russian Federation)

Monday, 12 December 2005, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Other forthcoming meetings

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Non-Aligned Movement (Peacekeeping operations)

Monday, 12 December 2005, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Round table on "Tajikistan's MDG-based National Development Strategy" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Tajikistan, with the support of the United Nations Millennium Project)

Monday, 12 December 2005, from 1.30 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Nima Tabloei, United Nations Millennium Project (tel. 1 (212) 906-6009; e-mail nima.tabloei@unmillenniumproject.org).]

Panel discussion on "Combating corruption " (organized by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC))

Thursday, 15 December 2005, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Lilibeth Benitez, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (e-mail benitez@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5635; fax 1 (212) 963-4581).]

Announcements

Informational meetings with Member States to discuss issues relating to language services

Pursuant to Section IV, paragraph 2, of General Assembly resolution 59/265, the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management will hold informational meetings with Member States twice a year to consult with them on the improvement of the language services and to provide a channel for communication on the terminology used and the quality of services rendered. The second round of language-specific informational meetings in 2005 will be held in December, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7, on the following dates:

Today, 9 December: *Spanish*

Monday, 12 December: *Arabic*

Preparations for the fiftieth session of the Commission on the Status of Women

In preparation for the fiftieth session of the Commission on the Status of Women (27 February–10 March 2006), delegations are invited to propose names of expert panellists to participate in two panel discussions on the following themes: (a) Enhanced participation of women in development: an enabling environment for achieving gender equality and the advancement of women, taking into account, inter alia, the fields of education, health and work; and (b) Equal participation of women and men in decision-making processes at all levels. Delegations are requested to submit names indicating the panel for which the expert(s) is (are) being nominated and curricula vitae which outline the specific expertise and experience of the proposed candidate on the theme. It is kindly requested that the information be sent to the Division for the Advancement of Women (e-mail taylors@un.org; and/or selcuk@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-3463). *The deadline has been extended by two weeks, until Wednesday, 21 December 2005.*

Security Council **Daily informal briefings**

As from Monday, 5 December 2005, and for the rest of the month, the presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations, which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations.

Summary of official meetings

Thursday, 8 December 2005

General Assembly

Sixtieth session

61st–62nd plenary meetings

The summary of the 61st and 62nd plenary meetings of the General Assembly will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2005/239).

International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families

Meeting of the States Parties

Second meeting

2nd meeting

The summary of the 2nd meeting of the Meeting of the States Parties will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2005/239).

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Protocol to the 1979 Convention on Long-range Transboundary Air Pollution to Abate Acidification, Eutrophication and Ground-level Ozone. Gothenburg (Sweden), 30 November 1999

Ratification: United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (8 December 2005)[1]

Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety to the Convention on Biological Diversity. Montreal, 29 January 2000

Accession: Yemen (1 December 2005)[1]

Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment. New York, 18 December 2002

Ratification: Uruguay (8 December 2005)[1]

United Nations Convention against Corruption. New York, 31 October 2003

Signature: Sao Tome and Principe (8 December 2005)

Convention on registration of objects launched into outer space. New York, 12 November 1974

Accession: Italy (8 December 2005)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Other announcements

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Events on the occasion of the International Volunteer Day

Today, 9 December 2005, from 2 to 4 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium: Screening of the documentary "The Heart of Steel"; followed by a panel discussion on "The citizen as volunteer" (sponsored by the United Nations Volunteer Programme, United Nations Development Programme).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Penina Adongo, United Nations Volunteer Programme (tel. 1 (212) 906-3639; e-mail penina.adongo@undp.org).]

General information

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *December 2005* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Rwanda
H.E. Mr. Stanislas Kamanzi

Asian States:
Iraq
H.E. Mr. Samir Shakir Mahmood Sumaida'ie

Eastern European States:
Romania
H.E. Mr. Mihnea Ioan Motoc

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Barbados
H.E. Mr. Christopher Fitzherbert Hackett

Western European and other States:
Canada
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A/60/PV.41	Meeting held on 31 October 2005, 3 p.m. [A E]
A/60/PV.43	Meeting held on 3 November 2005, 10 a.m. [A C E]
A/60/PV.45	Meeting held on 8 November 2005, 10 a.m. [A E]
A/60/PV.46	Meeting held on 8 November 2005, 3 p.m. [A E]
	Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)
A/C.4/60/SR.13	Meeting held on 20 October 2005, 3 p.m. [A C E F R S]
General Assembly	**Documents**
	Sixtieth session
A/60/485	Item 49 — Information and communication technologies for development — Report of the Second Committee [A C E F R S]
A/60/503	Item 64 — Advancement of women — Report of the Third Committee [A C E F R S]
A/60/507	Item 69 — Elimination of racism and racial discrimination — Report of the Third Committee [A C E F R S]
A/60/508	Item 70 — Right of peoples to self-determination — Report of the Third Committee [A C E F R S]
A/60/519	Item 108 — Measures to eliminate international terrorism — Report of the Sixth Committee [A C E F R S]
A/60/578-S/2005/754	Items 17, 96, 97, 108, 118 and 120 — The situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security — Prevention of an arms race in outer space — General and complete disarmament — Measures to eliminate international terrorism — United Nations reform: measures and proposals — Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit — Letter dated 2 December 2005 from the Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
	Second Committee
A/C.2/60/L.53	Item 52 (f) — Sustainable development: promotion of new and renewable sources of energy, including the implementation of the World Solar Programme 1996-2005 — Draft resolution submitted by the Vice-Chairman of the Committee, on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.28 — Promotion of new and

	renewable sources of energy, including the implementation of the World Solar Programme [A C E F R S]
A/C.2/60/L.55	Item 52 (h) — Sustainable development: Convention on Biological Diversity — Draft resolution submitted by the Vice-Chairman of the Committee, on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.22 — Convention on Biological Diversity [A C E F R S]
A/C.2/60/L.56	Item 58 (a) — Training and research: United Nations Institute for Training and Research — Draft resolution submitted by the Rapporteur of the Committee, on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.39 — United Nations Institute for Training and Research [A C E F R S]
A/C.2/60/L.58	Item 52 (a) — Sustainable development: implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development — Draft resolution submitted by the Vice-Chairman of the Committee, on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.20 — Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development [A C E F R S]

Security Council	**Documents**
S/2005/745	Letter dated 7 December 2005 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1521 (2003) concerning Liberia addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
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